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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR DISCUSSES JANUARY 26 INFORMAL NATO
MINISTERIAL ON AFGHANISTAN WITH FOREIGN MINISTER

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Classified By: Ambassador Robert A. Bradtke for reasons 1.4(b) and (d)

[1](#)1. (C) Drawing on Ref A, the Ambassador discussed Afghanistan with Croatian Foreign Minister Grabar-Kitarovic on January [1](#)17. The Ambassador stressed the challenges that NATO would face with the spring thaw in Afghanistan and the importance of allies and partners delivering on promises made on Afghanistan.

[1](#)2. (C) In a brief response the Foreign Minister agreed with the importance of supporting NATO's efforts in Afghanistan, and reiterated Croatia's commitment to increase its forces to 200 in 2007 and to 300 in 2008 as approved by the Croatian Parliament last December (Ref B). The Foreign Minister said that she planned to attend the January 26 meeting.
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